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### **Congratulations to the 2017 Host Companies!**

We are proud to announce the companies selected to participate in the 2017 <u>Pollution Prevention Services Intern Program</u>. This summer and fall we will be working with 11 engineering students and Iowa companies on energy efficiency, water conservation, and waste reduction projects. Congratulations to the 2017 intern host companies. We commend these companies for their pollution prevention initiative.

Bridgestone Americas Tire Operations - Des Moines

Curries (ASSA ABLOY) - Mason City

DuPont Industrial Biosciences - Cedar Rapids

Hach - Ames

Iowa Fertilizer Company - Wever

JBS USA, LLC - Marshalltown

Principal Financial Group - Des Moines

Smithfield - Sioux City

Tyson Fresh Meats, Inc. – Storm Lake

Woodward Resource Center - Woodward

Read more (pdf) about the projects that interns will be completing for their host companies. To read about projects completed in past years, visit our <u>case summary index</u> (pdf).

If you think your company may be interested in hosting a P2 intern in 2018, <u>contact us</u> to learn more.

### **Upcoming Events**

June 5-7 Environmental Leader Conference Denver, Colorado

June 7-8 lowa Water Environment Association 2017 Annual Conference Ottumwa, Iowa

June 7 Webinar: Disaster Preparation through P2 (1 PM - 2:30 PM)

June 14 IAEE Webinar: Energy Waste in Hospitality (12 PM - 1 PM)

June 20 Alliant Energy's Iowa Energy Summit Cedar Rapids, Iowa

June 27 Alliant Energy's Iowa Energy Summit Ames, Iowa

July 19 EMS Industry Group Workshop Des Moines, Iowa

September 6-8 Midwest Food Recovery Summit Des Moines, Iowa

# Two lowa Hospitals Recognized for Environmental Stewardship

Congratulations to Iowa City VA Health Care System and Iowa Methodist Medical Center on their recent accolades!

**lowa City VA Health Care System** has been selected as a recipient of the <u>2017 Top 25</u> <u>Environmental Excellence Award</u> by Practice Greenhealth. Hospitals receiving this award are national leaders in practicing the highest health care environmental standards and have proven their commitment to addressing the environmental connection to human health.

**Iowa Methodist Medical Center** in Des Moines was selected to be listed as one of <u>50</u> <u>Greenest Hospitals in America</u> by Becker's Hospital Review. These 50 hospitals have proven track records of environmental sustainability efforts. Iowa Methodist was specifically recognized for the work they have done to reduce operating room waste through an innovative partnership with Iowa Prison Industries.

#### **Financial Assistance for Landfill Reduction**

The DNR's Solid Waste Alternatives Program (SWAP) is now accepting financial assistance applications for projects that work to reduce the amount of solid waste generated and landfilled in Iowa.

The next SWAP application deadline is 4 p.m. July 1, with another ongoing round following on January 2, 2018. All applications can be found at <a href="https://www.iowadnr.gov/swap">www.iowadnr.gov/swap</a>.

SWAP provides forgivable and zero- and low-interest loans for public and private sector solid waste management projects that help divert natural resources from the landfill through waste reduction, recycling, reuse, and education efforts.

## **Environmental Topics Survey**

Have an environmental topic you'd like to learn more about? Tell us here!

Learn more about our program at www.iowap2services.com.

Please send questions, comments, or newsletter content submittals to Callie Kirkegaard at <a href="mailto:callie.kirkegaard@dnr.iowa.gov">callie.kirkegaard@dnr.iowa.gov</a>.



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